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PRICE, \$24 PER ANNUM.

AGENTS FOR THE CHINA MAIL.

LONDON.—F. ALGAR, 8, Clement's Lane, Lombard Street. GEORGE SHARPE, 30, Cornhill. GORDON & GOTCH, Ludgate Circus. E. C. BATES, HENRY & CO., 4, Old Ferry, E.C. SAMUEL DRAGON & CO., 150 & 154, Leadenhall Street.
PARIS AND EUROPE.—LEON DE ROSEN, 19, Rue Monsieur, Paris.
NEW YORK.—ANDREW WIND, 133, Nassau Street.
AUSTRALIA, TASMANIA, AND NEW ZEALAND.—GORDON & GOTCH, Melbourne and Sydney.
SAN FRANCISCO and American Ports generally.—BREW & BLACK, San Francisco.
SINGAPORE AND STRAITS.—SAYLE & CO., Square, Singapore. C. HEINZELN & CO., Manila.
CHINA.—Messrs. A. A. DE MEZIO & CO. Swatow, CAMPBELL & CO. Amoy, WILSON, NICHOLLS & CO. Foochow, HENDER & CO. Shanghai, LANE, CRAWFORD & CO. and KAY & WALKER, Yokohama, LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

BANKS.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL, 5,000,000 Dollars.
RESERVE FUND, 1,200,000 Dollars.

COURT OF DIRECTORS.
Chairman—F. D. SASSOON, Esq.
Deputy Chairman—W. H. FORBES, Esq.
E. R. BEULIERS, Esq. ADAM LIND, Esq.
H. L. DALRYMPLE, Esq. WILHELM REINERS, Esq.
H. HOFFMANN, Esq. W. S. YOUNG, Esq.
Hon. W. KESWICK.

CHIEF MANAGER.
Hongkong, THOMAS JACKSON, Esq.
MANAGER.
Shanghai, EVER CAMERON, Esq.
LONDON BANKERS.—London and County Bank.

HONGKONG.

ON Current Deposit Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

For Fixed Deposits:—
For 3 months, 3 per cent. per annum.
" 6 " 4 per cent. " "
" 12 " 5 per cent. " "

LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED.
Credits granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.
Drafts, granted on London, and the chief Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

T. JACKSON, Chief Manager.

Offices of the Corporation,
No. 1, Queen's Road East.
Hongkong, August 16, 1878.

ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION.

(Incorporated by Royal Charter.)
RATES of Interest allowed on Deposits.
At 3 months' notice 3 per cent. per annum.
" 6 " " 4 " "
" 12 " " 5 " "

D. A. J. CROMBIE, Acting Manager.
Oriental Bank Corporation,
Hongkong, July 1, 1878.

CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA, AND CHINA.

CAPITAL, 2,800,000.
RESERVE FUND, 2,150,000.

THE BANK OF ENGLAND.

THE CITY BANK.

NATIONAL BANK OF SCOTLAND.

THE BANK'S BRANCH in HONGKONG grants Drafts on London and the Chief Commercial places in Europe and the East; buys and receives for collection Bills of Exchange; and conducts all kinds of Banking and Exchange Business.

RATES OF INTEREST ALLOWED ON DEPOSITS.

On Current Accounts, 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

On Fixed Deposits,
For 3 months, 3 per cent. per annum.
" 6 " 4 per cent. " "
" 12 " 5 per cent. " "

THE CHARTERED MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LONDON, AND CHINA.

(Incorporated by Royal Charter.)

CAPITAL, 2,750,000.
RESERVE FUND, 2,161,660.10.

BANKERS.

THE BANK OF ENGLAND.

THE LONDON JOINT STOCK BANK.

RATES of Interest allowed on Fixed Deposits.

For 3 months, 3 per cent. per annum.
" 6 " 4 per cent. " "
" 12 " 5 per cent. " "

Besides conducting general Exchange Business, the Bank discounts local bills, payable in Hongkong, and makes advances on approved Banking Securities.

Present Rate of Discount for approved short sight acceptances, 5 per cent. per annum.

Rates for Advances, according to terms required, may be ascertained on application.

H. H. NELSON, Manager.
Hongkong, August 1, 1878.

For Sale.

RECENTLY ARRIVED.

FOR SALE.

TEYSSONNEAU'S FINE FRENCH STRAWBERRIES.

TEYSSONNEAU'S ASSORTED FRUITS. French JAMS and JELLIES.

MACASSAR RED FISH. Very Fine "O. K." BOURBON WHISKY.

FINEST CHERBOURG BUTTER, in BOTTLES of ONE POUND.

BUSCK & Co.'s SELECTED DANISH BUTTER, Season 1878, in Tins of 1 lb., 2 lbs., and 4 lbs.

ENGLISH and AMERICAN HOUSEHOLD STORES.

EXTRA FINE CHICAGO BACON and HAMS.

MACKEREL and SALMON BELLIES, in Kits.

COD FISH, &c., &c.

ROTH'S BEST RUSSIAN ROPE, and FINE LINES, Assorted Sizes.

EROST BRO'S BEST ENGLISH WHITE LINES.

HENRY'S BEST GOVERNMENT NAVY CANVAS, Assorted Numbers.

INDIA RUBBER SHEET PACKING and INSULATION, all Sizes.

TUCK'S PATENT PACKING.

INDIA RUBBER SUCTION and DELIVERY HOSE.

CANVAS HOSE and LEATHER BELTING.

AMERICAN ASH BOAT-OARS.

ADMIRALTY TESTED CHAIN CABLES, and RIGGING-CHAIN.

ANCHORS, from 25 lbs. up to 18 cwt. Each.

PERFORATED ZINC SHEETS.

TINMAN'S and PLUMBER'S SOLDER.

LEAD PIPE, and SHEET LEAD.

FAIRBANK'S PLATFORM SCALES, from 400 lbs. to 2,500 lbs.

MASSEY'S PATENT LOGS.

FLOUR SIEVES.

INDIA RUBBER KNEE and HIP BOOTS, &c., &c., &c.

LAMMERT, ATKINSON & CO.

Hongkong, August 21, 1878.

FOR SALE.

AN INVOICE OF HUNGARIAN WINES, VIZ:—

Villanyer, ... in Cases of 1 Dozen.

Other Adelsberg, ... " "

Ruster Ausbruch, ... " "

Apply to RADECKER & Co.

Hongkong, August 17, 1878.

FOR SALE.

THE GENUINE APOLLINARIS WATER.

In Cases of 50 large Stone Bottles, \$9 per Case.

In Cases of 50 small Stone Bottles, \$6 per Case.

Ex Steamship "Asia."

TIVOLI BEER.

In Cases of 8 dozen White Pint Bottles, \$15 per Case.

WIELER & Co.

Hongkong, August 6, 1878.

FOR SALE.

TWO AMERICAN and One ENGLISH Second-hand BILLIARD TABLES, with BALLS, CUES, LAMPS, &c., Complete.

Apply to D. NOWROJEE,

Hongkong Hotel.

Hongkong, July 11, 1878.

FOR SALE.

COKE and TAR in Quantities to suit Purchasers, at CHEAP RATES.

Apply to GAS COMPANY,

West Point.

Hongkong, June 19, 1878.

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction, on

For Sale.

FOR SALE.

LADIES' and GENTLEMEN'S RIDING WHIPS.

CARBOLIC ACID, the best disinfectant.

PORCELAIN ICE-PITCHERS.

KEILLER'S DUNDEE MARMALADE.

FOSTER'S BOTTLED ALE and STOUT.

VEYRON'S CAZETIERES.

CURCIER and ABET'S CLARETS.

BASS'S ALE and GUINNESS'S STOUT, bottled by Foster.

French JAMS.

Scotch OATMEAL.

FOSTER'S BOTTLED ALE and STOUT.

VEGETABLE, FLOWER and LAWN-GRASS SEED.

TEA TASTER'S CUPS, POTS, SCALES and TIME GLASSES.

FOSTER'S BOTTLED ALE and STOUT.

French SUMMER SHOES.

CHRISTY'S HATS.

BASS'S ALE and GUINNESS'S STOUT, bottled by Foster.

PEARS' TOILET SOAP.

English HAMS.

FOSTER'S BOTTLED ALE and STOUT.

SPARKLING BURGUNDY.

CHOICE PORT for Invalids.

FOSTER'S BOTTLED ALE and STOUT.

CURACAO, MARASCHINO, and CHARTREUSE.

HENDRIKS' PERFUMERY.

BASS'S ALE, by Foster, highly recommended for purity, and the extreme Care used in Bottling.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

Hongkong, July 17, 1878.

SAYLE & CO.

VICTORIA EXCHANGE.

OUR ANNUAL SALE of SURPLUS SUMMER STOCK will Commence on

WEDNESDAY, August 7th, and be Continued for 23 DAYS ONLY.

MAGNIFICENT FANCY SILKS, Reduced to \$1.00 per Yard.

PLAIN COLOURED FRENCH SILKS, " 65 Cents.

BEST QUALITY JAPANESE SILKS, " 50 "

FANCY GRENADINE DRESS GOODS.

WHITE MUSLIN DRESS GOODS.

COLOURED MUSLIN DRESS GOODS.

LAWNS, HOLLANDS, GINGHAMS.

At Greatly Reduced Prices.

COTTON and THREAD HOSE,

HANDKERCHIEFS,

COLLARS and CUFFS,

At about Half Price.

Trimmed and Untrimmed HATS and BONNETS,

FEATHERS, FLOWERS, LACE GOODS,

At less than Cost Price.

A Lot of HANDSOMELY TRIMMED French and English-made UNDER-LINEN, at One Quarter of former Prices.

A Lot of CORSETS, Best-make and Shape, quite perfect at \$1.50.

15,000 Yards of REMNANTS, comprising—FLANNELS, PRINTS, CALICOES, &c., &c., at ridiculously low prices.

A few Baskets of RIBBON REMNANTS, marked Exceedingly Cheap.

This EXTRAORDINARY SALE will terminate on September 1st.

DRESS-MAKING and MILLINERY will be carried on as usual during the Sale.

SAYLE & Co., VICTORIA EXCHANGE.

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

ELEGANT AMERICAN and ENGLISH-MADE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, OIL PAINTINGS, ENGRAVINGS, CHROMOS, GLASS WARE, PLATED WARE, &c., &c., &c.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction, on

Intimations.

CITY HALL, HONGKONG.

NOTICE.

THE Annual General Meeting of SHAREHOLDERS in and Subscribers to the above Institution will be held in the ST. ANDREW'S HALL, at 3 p.m. on SATURDAY, the 24th Instant.

By Order, H. L. DENNIS, Secretary.

Hongkong, August 20, 1878.

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

CONTRIBUTING SHAREHOLDERS are requested to send in an Account of the Business Contributed for the Half-year ended 30th June, 1878, on or before the 31st Instant, on which Date the Accounts will be Closed.

By Order of the Directors, D. GILLIES, Secretary.

Hongkong, August 13, 1878.

NOTICE.

THE PRESENTATION OUP to the 28th REGIMENT is and will be on View at SUN SHING'S, 64 Queen's Road, until TUESDAY, the 27th Instant.

Hongkong, August 22, 1878.

DENTAL NOTICE.

D. R. ROGERS begs to say that he intends VISITING AMOY and Foochow, leaving Hongkong September 15th, and returning November 1st.

Hongkong, August 21, 1878.

Shipping.

Steamers.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHEW. The Steamship "NAMO,"

Capt. WATSON, will be despatched for the above Ports on MONDAY, the 26th Instant, at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.

Hongkong, August 22, 1878.

FOR HOIHOW. The Steamship "ALBANY,"

Capt. F. ASHTON, will be despatched for the above Port on MONDAY, the 26th Instant, at 2 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.

Hongkong, August 22, 1878.

FOR AMOY, TAIWANFOO & TAMSUI. The Steamship "TAIWAN,"

Captain M. YOUNG, will be despatched for the above Ports on MONDAY, the 26th Instant, at 4 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.

Hongkong, August 22, 1878.

FOR LONDON.

The Steamship "CITY OF BALTIMORE,"

T. COLLIN, Commander, will be despatched as above, on or about the 29th Instant.

The City of Baltimore has Good Accommodation for First-class Passengers.

For Freight or Passage, apply to BIRLEY & Co.

Hongkong, August 22, 1878.

FOR YOKOHAMA & HIOGO.

The British Steamship "STRATHMORE,"

shortly expected, will have quick despatch for the above Port.

For Freight or Passage, apply to Wm. POSTAU & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, August 19, 1878.

FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL.

The British Steamer "BEN LEDI,"

Captain BUCHANAN, will be despatched as above on or about the 22nd Instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.

Hongkong, August 14, 1878.

Sailing Vessels.

FOR MELBOURNE & SYDNEY.

The A 1 British Barque "CHARLOTTE ANDREWS,"

Captain PLACE, will load here, and have a quick despatch as above.

For Freight, apply to ROZARIO & Co.

Hongkong, July 18, 1878.

FOR NEW YORK.

The A 1 British Barque "ATENE,"

FINDLAY, Master, having the greater portion of her Cargo engaged, will load at this for the above Port, and have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to OLYPHANT & Co.

Hongkong, August 19, 1878.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

The A 1 Ship "SIR CHARLES NAPIER,"

Shipping.

Sailing Vessels.

FOR NEW YORK. The A 1 American Ship "SUMNER R. MEAD,"

DIXON, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to RUSSELL & Co.

Hongkong, August 21, 1878.

NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES.

BRITISH BARK DARTMOUTH, FROM LONDON.

THE above-named Vessel having arrived, Consignees of Cargo by her are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods. Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, August 7, 1878.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo per S. S. CITY OF PEKING, from San Francisco and Yokohama, are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods. Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

RUSSELL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, August 17, 1878.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo per German Bark MANILA II, GUYVER, Master, from HAMBURG, are requested to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside the Vessel.

Cargo impeding the discharge will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by Wm. PUSTAU & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, August 6, 1878.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

S. S. IRAOUADY.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo per Steamship "INDUS," from London, in connection with the above Steamer, are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and stored at their risk at the Company's Godowns, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on, unless intimation is received from the Consignees, before To-morrow, the 18th Inst., at 11 a.m., requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned.

Goods remaining unclaimed after Saturday, the 26th Instant, at Noon, will be subject to rent and landing charges.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

H. DU POUY, Agent.

Hongkong, August 17, 1878.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

CONSIGNEES of the following Cargo are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and take immediate delivery. This Cargo has been landed and stored at their risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

H. DU POUY, Agent.

TE 1644, Mr L. Thevenin, } from }
1 case Ink, } }
Ex "Poi Ho." }
B No. 419/21 Order, 15 Cases } from }
Wine, } }
Hongkong, July 27, 1878.

For Sale.

CHINA SUGAR REFINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

THIS REFINERY MANUFACTURES

LOAF SUGAR, (in 5, 10, and 15 lbs. Leaves.)
CUBE SUGAR (Lyle's Patent).
CRYSTALLIZED SUGAR, mark O. S. R.
(in diamond) 4 lbs.
FINE WHITE SUGAR, mark O. S. R.
(in diamond) 4 lbs.
MEDIUM WHITE SUGAR, mark O. S. R.
(in diamond) 4 lbs.
FINE YELLOW SUGAR, mark O. S. R.
(in diamond) 4 lbs.
COFFEE SUGAR, mark O. S. R.
(in diamond) 4 lbs.
GOLDEN SYRUP, SYRUP, and MOLASSES.

SPIRITS OF WINE and LAMP SPIRIT.
RUM, 45°, 50°, O. P., and Naval.
ANIMAL CHARCOAL and DUST.
AMMONIACAL LIQUOR, from Bone.
BONE TAR (a preventive of white ants).
ROUGH BONE TALLOW.

Packed in Quantities and Packages to suit Customers.
Particulars and Prices on application to THE MANAGER, CHINA SUGAR REFINING Co., Limited, East Point, Hongkong.

March 8, 1878.

NOW READY.

A CHINESE DICTIONARY IN THE CANTONESE DIALECT. Parts I. and II. A to M, with Illustrations. Royal 8vo, pp. 404.—By ERNEST JOHN BIEHL, Ph.D. Tubingen.

Price: FIVE DOLLARS, or TWO DOLLARS AND A HALF per Part.

To be had from Messrs LAY, CHAMBERS & Co., Hongkong and Shanghai; and Messrs KEMP & WALKER, Shanghai.

Hongkong, March 1, 1878.

WASHINGTON BOOKS.

(In English and Chinese.)
WASHINGTON'S BOOKS, for the use of Ladies and Gentlemen, are now ready at this Office.—Price, \$1 each.

Intimations.

CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

ADJUSTMENT OF BONUS FOR THE YEAR 1877.

SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company are requested to furnish the Undersigned with a List of their Contributions for the year ending 31st December last, in order that the proportion of the Net Profit to be reserved for Contributors may be arranged. Returns not rendered prior to the 31st October next will be adjusted by the Company, and no claims or alterations will be subsequently admitted.

JAS. B. COUGHTRIE, Secretary.

Hongkong, August 1, 1878.

CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE.

ADJUSTMENT OF BONUS FOR THE YEAR 1877.

SHAREHOLDERS in the above Office are requested to furnish the Undersigned with a List of their Contributions for the year ending 31st December last, in order that the distribution of the Profit reserved for Contributors may be arranged. Returns not rendered prior to the 31st August next, will be adjusted by the Office, and no Claims or Alterations will be subsequently admitted.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Agents.

Hongkong, July 12, 1878.

HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

ADJUSTMENT OF BONUS FOR THE YEAR 1877.

SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company are requested to furnish the Undersigned with a List of their Contributions for the year ending 31st December last, in order that the distribution of the Profit reserved for Contributors may be arranged. Returns not rendered prior to the 31st October next, will be adjusted by the Company, and no Claims or Alterations will be subsequently admitted.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, August 1, 1878.



No. 158. GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

THE Following NOTICE TO MARINERS is published for general information.
By Command, J. M. PRICE, Acting Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 10th August, 1878.

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

Notice is hereby given that a dangerous rocky patch exists in the fairway into Mirs Bay.

The following Magnetic bearings are from it:
Fung Head, N. 16° W.
South end of Basalt Island, N. 87° W.
East Ninepin Rock and South part of South, S. 55° W.
Ninepin in line, S. 25° W.

North-east Head Tamkai, S. 25° W.
This patch, about 40 feet long by 30 feet broad, extends in a North-east direction with 8 fathoms of water on it at low water springs and 15 fathoms close to.

J. DIXON, Staff Commander, R.N.
H. M. S. Victor Emanuel, Hongkong, 7th August, 1878.



GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

SALE OF THE OPIUM FARM.

NOTICE is hereby given that the TENDERS for the PRIVILEGE OF PREPARING and SELLING PREPARED OPIUM within the Colony for the Term of One, Two, or Three Years from the 1st of March, 1879, under the Provisions of Ordinance No. 2 of 1868 will be Received at this Office until Noon on MONDAY, the 28th September, 1878.

Each Tender should specify the Monthly Payment offered for the period above-mentioned.

The Government does not bind itself to accept the highest or any Tender.

Should the highest Tender be less than the sum the Governor thinks a fair price for the Opium Farm, His Excellency in Council will grant Licences direct under Section 5 of the Ordinance, and take such further steps as may be necessary to realize a fair price.

By Command, J. M. PRICE, Acting Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, August 21, 1878.

Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor Owners will be Responsible for any Debts contracted by the Officers or Crews of the following Vessels, during their stay in Hongkong Harbour:

Fontenay, British ship, Capt. G. B. Taylor.—Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.
Bertie Bignlow, British ship, Captain Ferguson.—Meyer & Co.
Hawthorn, British barque, Captain C. Mead.—Wiser & Co.
Abasia, British ship, Captain S. A. J. Klenoth.—P. & O. S. N. Co.
Glamorganshire, British ship, Captain W. H. Rhodes.—Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.
Centennial, American ship, Captain J. M. Beane.—Butterfield & Swire.
Baldwin, British barque, Captain Robert Edmund.—Stimson & Co.

SAILOR'S HOME.

ANY Cast-off Clothing, Boots, or Papers will be thankfully received at the Sailors' Home, West Point, Hongkong, July 25, 1878.

NOTICES OF FIRMS.

NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility of Mr EDWARD GUNNINGHAM in our Firm in Hongkong and China, CEASED on the 31st December last.

RUSSELL & Co.

China, March 8, 1878.

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned begs to notify that the MITSUI BUSSAN KAISHA of Tokio, Japan, has opened a Branch in this Port, and the Undersigned has been appointed their Agent in Hongkong.

HEROMIOH-SHUGIO.

Office No. 4, C. Club Chambers, Hongkong, August 19, 1878.

NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility of the late Mr J. J. dos REMEDIOS in our Firm CEASED on the 31st July, 1878. Mr AGOSTINHO GUILHERME, ROMANO and Mr ALEXANDRE ANTONIO dos REMEDIOS have this Day been admitted Partners therein.

Our Firm now consists of Mr J. H. dos REMEDIOS, Mr A. G. ROMANO, and Mr A. A. dos REMEDIOS.

J. J. dos REMEDIOS & Co.

Hongkong, August 1, 1878.

NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility of Mr ARTHUR CHART in our Firm CEASED on the 31st December last.

J. INGLIS & Co.

Hongkong, June 13, 1878.

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J. J. dos REMEDIOS & Co.

Hongkong, August 1, 1878.

NOTICE.

IN Reference to the above, the Undersigned has LEASED the Chinese Mail from the 1st August, 1877, and has engaged the services of Mr LEONG YOOK CHU, as Translator and General Manager of the newspaper, which under its new régime will be found to be, as hitherto, an excellent medium for advertising, especially as the Manager is able to devote his whole attention to the conduct of the Newspaper.

KONG CHIM.

Lessee of the Hongkong Chinese Mail.

Hongkong, April 6, 1878.

To Let.

IN the House on MARINE LOT 65, formerly known as the Blue House, situate on Praya East—

FIRST FLOOR and BASEMENT of No. 2, Praya East, either separately, or together, as required, with immediate possession.

HOUSE No. 3, Praya East. The whole House or in Flats, with immediate possession.

As also, SIX SPACIOUS ROOMS, with Corridors and Out-houses in the DWELLING HOUSE, to the Eastward of the Flat at Wanchai. These may be had in Apartments of Two or Three Rooms to suit convenience. Fine spacious Verandah looking on the Harbour. Immediate Possession.

TO LET. FIRST CLASS GRANITE GODOWNS, attached to Blue Houses at Wanchai, MARINE LOT 65.

For further particulars, apply to MEYER & Co. Hongkong, August 15, 1878.

TO BE LET. TWO Excellent STONE-FLOORED GODOWNS, on Marine Lot No. 10, Praya Central.

Apply to TURNER & Co. Hongkong, August 1, 1878.

TO LET. A THREE-STORYED DWELLING HOUSE, No. 113, Queen's Road East (Spring Gardens). Water laid on.

Apply to D. NOWROJEE, ROBINSON HOTEL, Hongkong, July 25, 1878.

TO LET. THREE OFFICES, in Club Chambers. The BUNGALOW, No. 2, Shelly.

Apply to DOUGLAS LAFFRAN & Co. Hongkong, Aug. 18, 1878.

TO LET. HOUSE No. 8, Queen's Road Central, with Godowns attached.

Houses No. 4, and 6, Seymour Terrace. DAVID BARBOON, SONS & Co. Hongkong, January 4, 1878.

THE CHINA REVIEW No. 1 OF VOL. VII.

WILL CONTAIN, AMONG OTHER ARTICLES, The Chinese in Europe. Jottings from the Book of Rites. The Character "Yeh." Sketches in the Life of K'ung Ming. &c. &c. China Mail Office, Hongkong, August 14, 1878.

Entertainment.

CITY HALL, HONGKONG.

ON MONDAY, THE 26TH AUGUST, 1878. ONE NIGHT ONLY.

Under the Patronage of His Excellency JOHN POPE HENNESSY, GOVERNOR OF HONGKONG, MRS. HENNESSY, AND SONS.

THE CELEBRATED TRAGEDIAN MR. BOOTHOBY FAIRLOUGH AND THE GIFTED YOUNG PRIMA DONNA MISS ELOIA MAY will give an ENTERTAINMENT OF A HIGH CLASS CHARACTER for ONE NIGHT ONLY, ON MONDAY, the 26th August, 1878, Previous to leaving Hongkong.

PRICES OF ADMISSION: Front Seats, \$2. Back Seats, \$1.

A Plan of the Hall can be seen at LAW, CRAWFORD'S, where Seats can be secured.

N.B.—No Ladies admitted unless accompanied by a Gentleman.

Full Particulars in future Advertisements. DUNCAN MACALLUM, Agent.

Hongkong, August 23, 1878.

To-day's Advertisements.

THEATRE ROYAL, CITY HALL, HONGKONG. SATURDAY, August 24, 1878.

FIRST APPEARANCE OF The Highly Popular Prima Donna MISS ELOIA MAY as THE GRAND DUCHESS.

During the Evening THE TALENTED YOUNG VIOLINIST MISS AGNES DRAEGAR, Will Perform the Following VIOLIN SOLOS:

LUCIA DE LAMMEOR, Domizetti. HOPE, Farmer.

MISS ELOIA MAY, as THE GRAND DUCHESS, FOR THIS NIGHT ONLY!

MISS CLARA STANLEY, IN HER GREAT PART WANDA.

Tickets to be had and Seats secured at Messrs KRAUSE & Co., where Plan of the Theatre may be seen.

No Advance in Prices.

Ladies unaccompanied by Gentlemen cannot be admitted.

S. DE LILLE, Manager.

Hongkong, August 23, 1878.

FOR SHANGHAI. The Steamship "YANGTZE," E. SCHULZE, Master, will be despatched for the above Port TO-MORROW, Saturday, the 24th Instant, at 5 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to SHIMSEN & Co. Hongkong, August 23, 1878.

MONTHLY SERVICE. FOR COOKTOWN, SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE, CALLING AT PORT DARWIN, TASMANIA AND FIJI.

The Australasian Steam Navigation Co.'s Chartered Steamship "MECCA," A. McF. MORSE, Commander, will be despatched as above on THURSDAY, the 6th Proximo, at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to GEO. R. STEVENS & Co., Agents, A. S. N. Co. Hongkong, August 23, 1878.

FOR SINGAPORE AND PENANG. The British Steamer "KILLARNEY," Captain O'NEILL, will load here for the above Ports, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight or Passage, apply to HOP KEE. Hongkong, August 23, 1878.

SHIPPING. ARRIVALS. Aug. 23, Balaury, British barque, 478, Robert Kimmond, Bangkok Aug. 3, General—Stimson & Co.

Aug. 22, Li Chi, Chinese S. C. from Australia.

Aug. 23, Charité, French barque, from Whampoa.

Aug. 23, Douglas, British steamer, 554, G. D. Pittman, Foochow Aug. 20, Amy 21, and Swatow 22, General—Douglas LAFFRAN & Co.

Aug. 23, Glasgow, British steamer 1647, Glasgow, Liverpool July 9, via ports of

call, and Singapore Aug. 17, General—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

DEPARTURES.

Aug. 23, Malina, for Vunglam. 23, Alice D. Cooper, for Vancouver's Island.

23, Amy, for Shanghai. 23, Cheong Hock Kian, for Swatow. 23, Benet, for London, &c.

CLEARED. S. Vaughan, for Callao. Fontenay, for Nagasaki. Blanco Fertia, for Nagasaki. Conquest, for Hoihow. Bua-Cao, for Newchwang.

PASSENGERS. ARRIVED. Per Douglas, from Coast Ports, Captain Vincent, 1 Slater of Meroy, 3 Europeans deck, and 65 Chinese.

Per Glasgow, from Singapore, &c., Mr Playfair, and 117 Chinese.

DEPARTED. Per Amoy, for Shanghai, 45 Chinese.

Per Cheong Hock Kian, for Swatow, and Amoy, about 400 Chinese.

Per Benet, for London, 1 European, and 2 Distressed Seamen.

TO DEPART. Per Pekin, from Yokohama for Batavia, Mr J. C. Reg.—From Shanghai: for Brindisi, Mr O. Thaschek; for Galle, Mr Church.

From Hongkong: for Singapore, Capt. T. O. Dempster, 28th Regt., Mr Balfour and servant; for Madras, Private Verda Rayaloo; for Southampton, Dr and Mrs W. H. Elmes and infant, Messrs D. Brizle, and J. F. Mayer.

Per Conquest, for Hoihow and Halphong, 40 Chinese.

SHIPPING REPORTS. The British barque Balaury reports: Light winds throughout the whole passage.

The British steamer Douglas reports: Left Foochow August 20th, Amoy 21st, and Swatow 22nd. Had moderate S.W. winds and fine weather to Swatow, and from thence fresh S.W. winds and squally weather, and a strong current setting to E.N.E. in Foochow: Stra. City of Baltimore, Argentine, Brisbane, Haating, Copenhagen, and barques Ems, Wylo, and Mary Blair. In Amoy: H.M.S. Growler, U.S.S. Alert, and S.S. Fernow.

In Swatow: Stra. Foochow, Wenchow, Zentain, Cassandra, Atlanta, Elgin, and Yotung.

Shipping Intelligence. The following corrected from the latest London and Colonial Papers, &c.:

At Hongkong.

When left. From. 20th. Elizabeth Shields, Hamburg.

1, Glangaber, Flushing. 25, G. B. S., Liverpool.

Jan. 27, Earl of Devon, Antwerp. Mar. 28, Orsola, Liverpool.

30, Bristolian (s.), Antwerp. Apr. 11, Hamburg, Hamburg.

15, Lizzie Parry, Antwerp. 16, Invincible, Penarth.

22, India, Cardiff. May 1, Ada Melmore, London.

2, Melrose, Liverpool. 3, Cosmo, Penarth.

5, Imperatrice Elisabeth, Liverpool. 6, Strathgairn, Cardiff.

8, Challenge, Cardiff. 9, Southern Cross, Penarth.

10, Napier, Cardiff. 12, Don Quixote, Penarth.

14, Varona, New York. 17, Lord Macaulay, Hamburg.

18, Niagara, Ouxhaven. 20, Banian, London.

June 1, Marina, London. 12, Emily Chaplin, Cardiff.

26, Commissary, Penarth. 28, Underwriter, Fortress Monroe.

28, Melbree, London. July 3, Commonwealth (s.), London.

10, Strathmore (s.), London. 16, Annie Bow, Newcastle (N.S.W.).

18, Lorimer, Newcastle (N.S.W.). 17, Loucadia, Newcastle (N.S.W.).

LOADING FOR CHINA AND JAPAN PORTS. At London.—Steamers via Suez Canal.

Glenaeagle, Glenafolia. Braemar Castle, Glenartney.

Sydenham, Sailing Vessels. Ulysses (s.) At Liverpool.

CARGOES. Per S.S. Pekin, for London, 22,825 boxes, 10,417 half-chests, 181 chests and 722 pigs. Tea, 717 bales Silk, 20 cases Silk Piece Goods, 213 bales Waste Silk, 100 bales Cocoon, and 233 pigs Sundries. Per Continent, 819 bales Silk, 38 bales Waste Silk, 80 bales Cocoon, and 80 pigs Sundries.

Per S.S. Teucer, for London, sailed 20th Aug., 1878.—130,084 lbs. Cocoon, 18,800 lbs. So. Or. Pekoe—total 146,884 lbs., 50 pigs. Silk Piece Goods, 251 pigs. Waste Silk, and 692 pigs. Sundries.

THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY, Established A.D. 1841. 香港大藥房

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Hongkong, June 1, 1876.

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THE CHINA MAIL.

HONGKONG, FRIDAY, AUGUST 23, 1878.

THE backslidings of Chinese mandarins, high and low, are so notoriously grievous and frequent that the notes of these official Shylocks are now almost beyond the pale of criticism or censure. Nevertheless a case of official rapacity is just reported from Tientsin which cannot be permitted to pass unnoticed. A correspondent of our morning contemporary at Shanghai writing from Tientsin under date of the 5th instant states that a Mr. Budd, one of the volunteer workers in the distribution of relief to the famine-stricken people in the North, had just returned to Tientsin without having completed the distribution of the money with which he had been entrusted. He had found that the Chinese officials who were appointed to assist him, of whom a Mr. Shu and a Mr. Shiao were the principal individuals, were compelling the people to return one fifth of the cash given them. The former of these two rascals ranks, it is said, as a district magistrate. A number of persons had even been severely beaten to compel them to return the money, and to enforce silence on their part. On establishing these facts beyond a doubt by investigation, Mr. Budd declined to act any longer with these officials and returned to Tientsin, where he placed the matter before Her Majesty's Consul, Mr. Forrest, who in return made representations on the subject to Li Hung Chang.

This "squeezing" of poor starving wretches by Messrs Shu and Shiao is, we fear, but significant of the way in which a large portion of the work of relief entrusted to native officials is being executed. Writing from the same port on the 12th April, a correspondent referred to the grievous complaints made of official peculation in connection with the grain forwarded into the famine-stricken districts, not more than one-third of the amount actually sent, it was said, ever reaching those for whom it was intended. The same matter has also formed the subject of several memorials and decrees published in the *Peking Gazette* since the organisation of measures of relief by the Chinese Government. In October of last year, for instance, a memorial appeared in the *Gazette* from one of the Peking officials stating that "manifest abuses were prevalent, such as the fabrication of fictitious lists of sufferers, the receipt of grants under false pretences, the production of lists in which the same individuals were made to figure over and over again, and the exaction of money payments for the entry of names." These memorials and complaints show pretty clearly that the ill wind of the famine has blown a very considerable amount of good, or rather profit, to some of the Chinese officials, if it has caused an incalculable amount of misery and suffering to the people. The wonder is that, with an administration composed perhaps mainly of officials of this stamp, the vast Empire of China has stood together as well as it has done. The fault is not possibly so much that of the officials themselves as that of the system under which they are appointed, and under which it must be well-nigh beyond the power of a mandarin to preserve his integrity, and at the same time live comfortably and maintain his dignity. There will have to be a mighty remodelling of the administrative system of China, from the office of the red-button mandarins down to those of their gold-button conferees, before China can hope to attain to the high position among nations that her population, territory, and buried wealth entitle her to hold.

It is satisfactory to know there is a prospect of these two Shylocks meeting with the punishment they deserve, for Li Hung-chang, who has busied himself most earnestly in forwarding relief to the sufferers, is not likely to overlook their offences. Accompanied by Shen Tsotai Mr. Budd has again set out for the scene of his operations, and it is quite possible that summary justice will be dealt out to Messrs Shu and Shiao by way of example. While on the subject of the famine we may note that rain has lately fallen in abundance in the North, and that the prospects of good crops, and a diminution of the distress, are encouraging. What the loss of life by the recent famine is will never probably be even approximately ascertained. Now, however, we know that the mortality caused by the Indian famine was about 1,380,000, some idea can be formed of the vast loss

of life that must have taken place among the masses of suffering people away in the almost unknown and inaccessible regions of Shensi, Honan, Chihli and Shantung.

REUTERS' TELEGRAMS.

(SUPPLIED TO THE "CHINA MAIL.")
(Per E. B. & C. Telegraph Co.'s Line.)

LONDON, 21st August, 1878.
Captain Sir George Nares has been appointed to the command of H. M. S. *Albatross* in a scientific Cruise to the South Pacific. The *Lazis* have refused to surrender Batum.

The Porte insists decisively upon the unreserved execution of the Treaty.

For the last paragraph of the Political Telegram issued to-day and dated London, 21st August, read—

The British and French Ambassadors at Constantinople have urged the Porte to insist decisively upon the unreserved execution of the Treaty.

[Corrected through a repetition of two words.]

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

It will be noticed with pleasure that Miss Eliza May has rejoined the Opera Company at present in Hongkong, and will appear as the Grand Duchess in a repetition of the "Grand Duchess of Gerolstein" announced for to-morrow night. The Company ought now to do well, and be able to fulfil the expectations originally formed of them.

Inquests were opened this afternoon at the Government Civil Hospital, before the Coroner (O. V. Cressag, Esq.), on the bodies of a Chinaman named Hi Ayow, who was accidentally drowned at the Cosmopolitan Dock, and Sardine, a Malay-quarter-master on board the S. S. *Albatross*. The following gentlemen comprised the jury—Messrs. A. E. Cope, J. E. Cox, and A. A. Cordelero. After hearing evidence as to the identity of the bodies, the inquest was adjourned until to-morrow.

At the Marine Court to-day Antonio Joseph, George Samson, Daniel Read, William Fergus, and Christian Williams, seamen British ship *Mary Fraser*, were charged with refusing to return on board their vessel after they had come on shore at their own request to see the Harbour Master. The 1st defendant denied that he refused to go on board, he was willing to do so but said he wanted his discharge; the others, still persisting in their refusal, were sent to three months' hard labour each at order of the Captain.

FUN ASHRA, a coolie, was sentenced to-day to 21 days' hard labour for being found in unlawful possession of a spar. On entering the gaol he was asked to give up all the property he had about him. He pretended to have done so, and when stripped his queue was found to be inflated, and a piece of prepared opium was found concealed inside the plaits. Mr. Mulgrave, turnkey of the gaol, said that defendant had been in prison before, and therefore knew that he was committing a breach of the regulations. Defendant, with the usual astuteness of his race, said in defence, that he had forgotten that he had put the opium in his queue; he always kept his opium there for convenience sake. Mr. May fined him \$5 or 14 days' further imprisonment, for not having a more retentive memory.

THE *Overland China Mail*, for to-morrow's English Mail, contains—Editorial Articles, Public and Private Gambling, Civil Marriages, The Western Route, Another Railway in China, The Vicars and the Law, Emigration from Japan, Chinese in Cuba, Nipped in the Bud.—A Shipping Case, Current Topics, Chinese Notes, The Wanchai Murder, The Loss of the German barque *Emma*, The Wreck of the *Harlan*—What a Boat's Crew Experienced, The Straits, List of Canton Plants, Meetings, Correspondence, Marine Insurance, Chinese Coinage Difficulties, Alleged Threatening Aspect of Affairs in Japan, Manila, Police Intelligence, Supreme Court, Macao, Canton, Freights, Latest Router's Telegrams, Miscellaneous, Commercial Summary, and Shipping Intelligence.

THE Presentation Cup for the 23rd Regiment, which we mentioned last night as being on view at Sun Shing's shop, 64 Queen's Road Central, is a very handsome piece of plate. It stands about 2 ft. 8 inches high and is in the form of a punch bowl. The bowl rests on the hind legs of three animals remarkable for their ugliness, an ugliness which being very Chinese in its character is therefore unique. The handles of the bowl are formed of two dragons and the top of the bowl is surmounted by a bird with outstretched wings having a serpent in its mouth. The bird, we may suppose, is emblematical of the gallant 23rd having flown away from our midst. The Cup is alike a credit to

the donors and its designer. It is valued at \$500.

On the nights of Monday and Wednesday last an attack by an armed gang of thieves was anticipated at Sander's Slip Belcher's Bay; the Police having received timely warning took every possible precaution to prevent a surprise. It appears so far as we can learn that Mr. Cooke, the superintendent, had a large sum of money in his house, and this fact had got abroad. Whether or not the fears of an attack were well founded is likely to remain a mystery, as none was attempted. However that may be, too much praise cannot be afforded the police on this occasion for the very complete precautions they took to catch any one daring enough to have attempted it. A party of Europeans had assembled at Mr. Cooke's house, armed police were posted along the sides of the hills in the neighbourhood, the Government Steam-launch with police boats in tow was stationed under Green Island, signals having been previously agreed upon which should direct those on shore or *vice versa* what to do. The attack it appears was expected to be made by boat. All these preparations, however, turned out to be only a prevention, not a cure. It is a pity, that the expected rogues, whom rumour said would number over thirty men, did not turn up, as if they had put in an appearance they would have received such a warm reception that they would have had reason to remember for many a long day. Two of the Dock watchmen, mistaking some waving bushes to be approaching bands of robbers, fired into them, but fortunately only lopped off a few twigs. The police on the hill sides might, however, have fared badly by the excessive watchfulness of these watchers.

Police Intelligence.

(Before the Hon. C. May.)
23rd August, 1878.

SUBVERSIVES.
Cheng Aping, a servant, unemployed, who was charged yesterday with being found in the house of Mr. Travers, Bank Buildings, under suspicious circumstances, was to-day discharged by Mr. May, as a man came forward who substantiated part of his story.

DRUNKENNESS.
William Bratt, seaman British ship *Fontenay*, was fined 50 cents for the above offence.
John Collins, seaman unemployed, was charged with being drunk and incapable. He having been two or three times charged with a similar offence, and being at present in receipt of relief from the gaol, Mr. May sentenced him to 14 days' hard labour.

GALLANTRY IN HIS OWN REWARD.
Ching Aping, a hawk unemployed, was charged by Inspector Thomson with being found in possession of a fighting iron at night, and being without light or pass. It appears that the Inspector had received information that an old woman at Sheung Ring Lane, Saypington, was about to be attacked and robbed by several armed men. The Inspector accordingly kept watch and saw the defendant at the Queen's Road end of the lane, and apprehended him, when the fighting iron alluded to above was found on him.
Defendant stated in defence that he had heard that a man was going to attack his mistress, who resided in a brothel, and he (defendant) therefore got the iron and went to Saypington, accompanied by a friend, in order to punish the miscreant, who was about to interfere with the lady.
The lady in question appeared and said she was an inmate of a brothel. The defendant had been a very good friend to her for some years, as had also another man, and she had reason to suspect that this other man intended to give her trouble. The defendant, on hearing this, had promised to assist her.
Defendant was fined \$10 or in default one month's hard labour, and at the expiration of his sentence was ordered to find security in one householder \$25 to be of good behaviour for 6 months.

OWNERS WANTED.

Leong Fuk Hi, a seaman unemployed, was charged with being found in unlawful possession of an anchor, weighing about 60 catties. Remanded until the 28th instant, in order to find the owner.

TO-DAY'S FINES.

Ho Apo, and two others, hawking without a license. Fined 10 cents each.
Ht Ahchoong, hawking fowls in the public streets. Fined 10 cents.
Wang Aon, hawk, calling out his wares in the public street. Fined 10 cents.
Ng A Tai and four others, boatwomen, stealing fruit at Stone-cutters' Island. Fined 20 cents each.
Chung Ashang, hawking fowls without a license. Fined 25 cents.
Li Aon, hawk, fighting in the public streets. Fined 60 cents.
Mtu Chai, shopman, Bonham Street West, obstructing the footpath. Fined 50 cents.
Oht Hi Yan, a coolie, fighting in the public streets. Fined 50 cents.
Chung Asan, and another, barbers, fighting in the public streets. Fined 50 cents each.
Un Lu, shopman, 76, Praya West, drying outside on Praya West, the obstruction of passengers. Fined \$5.

(Before C. V. Cressag, Esq.)
August 22, 1878.

PUBLIC GAMING.

Chung Aping, a tailor, was charged with being connected with a gambling house at No. 8 Gilman's Bazaar.
Inspector Grimes deposed to having landed a party of men and proceeded to the house in question, armed with a warrant signed by the superintendent of Police. The house is a two-story house. When the Inspector got on to the first floor he saw the defendant standing at the head of the stairs. Defendant, the moment he saw the Inspector, called something, and at the

same time the trap door at the head of the stairs was dropped; defendant then tried to escape but was arrested by a lokong. It was found impracticable to force open the trap door, which was provided with a spring lock and a bar placed right across it; besides these precautions, a bamboo was made to stand upright between the roof and the trap door which the moment the door closed fell into its position. The sound of men escaping on the roof could be distinctly heard, and when an entry was at length effected, there was every evidence that gambling had been going on. A fantan square, 87 cents, 1100 cash, and three tables, one of which was covered with a mat, were discovered, everything being in much disorder as though hurriedly left. The defendant was the only man arrested, and clearly identified as the watchman of the house, by the informer.
Defendant said he went to the house with a friend to get out of the rain. He was a tailor by profession, but had forgotten the name of the shop at which he was employed.
Mr. Cressag fined him \$20 or 2 months' hard labour.

CORRESPONDENCE.

To the Editor of the "CHINA MAIL."
Hongkong, August 23, 1878.

SIR,—As a very common Junor I thank "Justice" for calling attention to Mr. Hayl's want of courtesy.
It is not the first time that he has kept Judge and Jury awaiting his pleasure without receiving any reprimand whatever, but then of course it must be remembered that he is a most important "link" or factor in the case before the Court; and besides what judge could reprimand one with manners so bland, demeanour so modest and soft; and what feelings of annoyance would not be soothed by the subtle influence of his lily-white hand so gracefully "posed" or caressing his frosted, silken head.

Yours &c.,
A JUROR.

A CURIOUS CUSTOM.—The *Spectator*, in a recent review of "Robert Raikes, Journalist and Philanthropist," by Alfred Gregory (Hodder and Stoughton), has the following:—"We notice, as a curious instance of changed manners, that towards the close of the last century it was the custom at Manchester for the chief magistrate of the town, attended by the churchwarden and police officers, to go out of the church while the first lesson was being read, and to compel all persons found in the streets to come into the church or pay a fee, which in the case of persons of the lower class was fixed at one shilling, and for those of higher rank at half-a-crown."

A CHINESE SUICIDE.—A Chinaman named Ah Tack is reported by the *Bulletin Courier* to have committed suicide last Wednesday under very singular circumstances. Ah Tack was a hawk, residing at St. Ignace, and thinking a short time ago of returning to the "fogy land," he opened negotiations with a countryman named Hoy Hui for the purchase of his effects and business. Hoy Hui went about with Ah Tack in order to learn his rounds for nearly six weeks, but at the end of that time the wily Hoy Hui declined to proceed further in the matter, and demanded 10s. per day for the time he had spent with Ah Tack, who very naturally refused his modest request. Hoy Hui, however, brought the matter before a select committee of Celestials, who decided that Ah Tack should pay him 25, and informed Mr. Ah Tack that in default he would be burned down, and that the first time the devil met him in the bush he would certainly hang him. Ah Tack thereupon, rather than pay the penalty imposed, yesterday, when in Mr. Hollander's shop, served himself with a large helping of opium from a jar containing about 25s. worth of that drug. Mr. Hollander observing this, immediately sent for the police, who, on arrival, were obliged to handcuff Ah Tack; for, fearing that he had not swallowed enough poison, he kept sucking his fingers to get off any that might be on them. He was taken to the hospital, where the stomach pump was tried, but, owing to the sticky nature of the poison, it proved of no avail, and he died about ten minutes after he was admitted. Ah Tack had no reason to fear poverty should he pay the 25, for he is known to be the possessor of a house, 2300 in cash, and bank deposits to the extent of £1000.

COMMERCIAL.

The quiet tone of the market for Bengal Opium, last noted, has since continued. Patna, however, has been dealt in to a pretty far extent, with but a slight variation in the rate for it. With the near approach of the advent of the first supply of less old drug, holders of the present stock have more readily met buyers latterly, whereby the rate has weakened for the drug. The future course of the market for old stock does not promise well, and it is not unlikely a much lower range of prices will have to be submitted to. A smaller business has been done in Benares, as compared with that of the previous fortnight, for local requirements. The present quotations are \$624 to \$658 for Patna, and \$680 to \$692 for Benares.
The receipts for the month, so far, aggregate 5,818 chests, against 5,128 chests to the corresponding date last year. During the interval under notice some 600 chests have been taken by the local consumers, against a similar quantity at the corresponding period last year. This, with the exportations, leaves the available supply computed at 4,700 chests, against 1,250 chests same time last year. Of this last quantity 200 chests were Benares, which kind the present stock comprises 600 chests.

MESSRS HEINEMANN & Co.'s Freight Circular for the Month of Saturday, 24th August, says—

During the past fortnight business has revived a little from the dull state so long existing, but though there has been a fair demand for tonnage and the number of disengaged vessels has considerably lessened, yet there is no improvement in notices in the rates of freight paid.
Homewards, demand has been principally for New York, but the freights paid are reported to be very low, say—18/ to 19/ sterling per ton of 20 cwt. to London. The berth is now well supplied, and inquiry is again dull. From the Philippines advice is discouraging, plenty of "seeking" vessels being available there.
Coastwise, a small business has been done for the Cebu China ports at low rates, but better business is looked for

shortly as Native charterers must soon come on the market for tonnage for the Northern Ports. The Southern Rice Ports are utterly neglected; employment for steamers is difficult to find and then only at exceedingly low freights.

The Indian barque *Eletico*, 646 tons, has taken the berth for San Francisco, and the American barque *Benefactor*, 596 tons, will load for New York.

The British barque *Per Ardua*, 787 tons, left for Valparaiso, under orders from home. The French barque *Maria Louise*, 484 tons, left for Chafco, the German brig *Rebecca*, 286 tons, for Takao, the British barque *Queen of the Seas*, 442 tons, for Singapore, and the American ship *Alce D. Cooper*, 1,863 tons, cleared for Vancouver's Island "seeking." The British barque *Glamorganshire*, 771 tons, will load at Kobe for Europe, and the British ship *Troabridge*, 1,287 tons, in Java, both under charter effected at home. The British ship *The Tweed*, 1,745 tons, is under orders from home to proceed to Singapore. The American barque *Ceylon*, 681 tons, proceeds to Nagasaki, having been chartered to load there for Yokohama.

The disengaged tonnage in port amounts to 31 vessels, registering 23,176 tons, steamers not included.

The following are the settlements:—
British ship Bertie Biglow, 1142, to London, private.
American barque Lottie Moore, 881, to New York, private.

American barque Albert Russell, 762, to New York, private.
American ship Sumner R. Mead, 1117, to New York, private.

British barque Athene, 608, to New York, private.
British barque Sarah Bell, 812, to San Francisco, private.

British barque Kate Tatham, 275, Foochow to Sydney, 4725 in full.

British barque Hawthorne, 296, Whampoa to Tientsin and back to Hongkong via Newchwang, 42 cents per picul, 38 lay days.

German barque Marco Polo, 858, Whampoa to Tientsin and back to Hongkong via Newchwang, 42 cents per picul, 38 lay days.

German barque Carl, 215, Whampoa to Tientsin and back to Hongkong via Newchwang, 45 cents per picul, 32 lay days.

German brig Sophie, 300, Whampoa to Tientsin and back to Hongkong via Newchwang, 45 cents per picul, 34 lay days.

German barque Papa, 391, to Chafco and back, 17 cents per picul; if back via Newchwang, 42 cents per picul, 30 lay days.

German barque Manila 11, 615, to Shanghai (coast), \$1.70 per ton of 20 cwt., and Newchwang to Hongkong, 18 cents per picul, 30 lay days.

German barque Hermann, 444, Newchwang to Hongkong, 21 cents per picul, 30 lay days.

Siamese barque Thoon Kramom, 474, Newchwang to Hongkong, 17 cents per picul, 35 lay days.

German barque Friedrich, 524, Newchwang to Swatow, 16 cents per picul, 30 lay days.

Italian barque Bianca Petrica, 668, Nagasaki to Hongkong (coast), \$1.75 per ton of 20 cwt., 20 lay days.

British ship Fontenay, 685, Nagasaki to Hongkong (coast), \$1.80 per ton of 20 cwt., 20 lay days.

British barque Marquis of Argyll, 500, to Haiphong and Toulon and back to Hongkong, \$2,600 in full, 50 lay days.

British barque Phaston, 576, Phantik Bay (Cochin China) to Hongkong, \$1,900 in full, 40 lay days.

British barque Jessie Jamieson, 504, Quinhao and Coomung to Hongkong, \$2,100 in full, 35 lay days.

German barque Gesine Brons, 402, Quinhao and back, 18 cents per picul, 30 lay days.

German barque Malvina, 479, Wamglan to Hongkong, \$1,900 in full, 35 lay days.

British steamer Killarney, 1060, to Singapore and Penang, \$3,700 in full.

Spanish steamer Zamboanga, 651, to Singapore and Penang, \$3,700 in full, 18 lay days.

Dutch steamer Java, 883, to Singapore and Penang, \$3,000 in full.

German steamer Bellona, 780, to Saigon and Mantong and back to Hongkong, \$3,000 in full, 14 lay days.

German steamer Quinta, 864, to Saigon and Mantong and back to Hongkong, \$3,500 in full, 16 lay days.

MESSRS DEACON & Co.'s Canton Market Report, dated Canton, 22nd August, says—

A fair business still continues in our Tea market, Scented Capers again commanding chief attention.

Congruis.—A few settlements on this market are reported at former prices, and from Macao shipments of common teas have been made to some extent.

Scented Teas.—The enquiry for Capers has been maintained, and a fair amount of transactions have resulted. A further advance of about one tael has been established for all fine teas, and the few parcels to be met with are readily taken; medium and good medium kinds have also been in request, and these teas must also be quoted about half a tael to one tael dearer than they were a fortnight back. Common teas have not been offered in any quantity, but a few purchases are reported at full rates, when quality is taken into consideration.

In Fokco, business has been done at former quotations for all kinds, but at the close there is a firmer tendency for medium "long leaf" kinds. The stock offering is but moderate, and comprises chiefly teas of indifferent quality.

The following is a summary of the fortnight's business:—

Congon, 1,400 boxes at Tls. 12 a 24 per picul; Scented Oaper, 81,200 boxes at Tls. 12 a 28 per picul; Scented Orange Pekoe, 4,760 boxes at Tls. 12 a 81 per picul.

Export of the various descriptions of Teas shipped from Canton Waters, (Hongkong, Canton and Macao) to Great Britain to date—August 5, S. S. *Heetor*, Congon 268,131 lbs., S. Oaper 202,778 lbs., S. O. Pekoe 59,043 lbs., total 529,952 lbs.

Making, with previous shipments, a total for the season of 9,418,618 lbs.; against 6,755,985 for season 1877-78.

SLA.—In the early part of the fortnight there was hardly any demand, but latterly there has been a moderate enquiry for this article, resulting in settlement of 450 bales of Teasels reel; purchases have been effected at a decline of \$5 to \$10 per picul on last quoted rates. Owing to the prevalence lately of heavy rains here and in the neighbourhood, arrivals have been coming forward in a more than usually wet state. Reports regarding the extent of the fourth yield are conflicting, the estimate being variously put at from 2,800 to 3,600 bales.

Long-reels have not been much wanted, settlements of Soulam and other sorts for the Indian market are said to be 70 piculs.

Re-reels have been in good request, and all grades have been booked, under contract, at former rates, settlements are 700 boxes; the quality lately of the lower classes of Cumohook and Lucklow appears to be somewhat deficient.

Stock is computed at 2,500 bales Teasels, 100 bales Kwongk, 150 bales Cumohook and Lucklow, and about 300 bales of inferior sorts.

Waste.—Settlements 300 bales.
Export of Silk.—Export to date:—To London, 1455 bales; to Continent, 1625 bales; to America, 302 boxes; to Bombay, 891 piculs; total, 3090 bales, 802 boxes, and 891 piculs. Of Waste, 1725 bales and Pierced Cocoons 93 bales for Europe.

QUOTATIONS.
Teasels,.....Curio, \$490
".....No. 1, \$440
"....." 2, \$420
"....." 3, \$405
"....." 4, \$390
Cumohook & Lucklow, — \$410
Re-reels Cumohook, — \$525
" Lucklow — \$525

" No. 1, \$500
" " 2, \$480
" " 3, \$460
" Cote-og-own, — \$500
Waste Silk,.....No. 1, \$ 81
" " 2, \$ 71
Cocoons Pierced,.... 1, \$ 82

SETTLEMENTS FOR THE FORTNIGHT.
1878-79. 1877-78.
For Europe,..... 450 bls. 670 bls.
United States, do., Re-reels, 700 bxs. 180 bxs.
Bombay,..... 70 bls. 50 bls.
do., Re-reels, 40 bls. 15 bls.

DRUGS AND SPICES.—Cassia Ligaria, is quoted at \$9.70 a \$9.80 in mats, and \$10.00 a \$10.10 in boxes. Sales: 1,800 piculs. Stock: 6,000 piculs. Cassia Buda, \$13.60 per picul. Sales nil. Stock 100 piculs. Star Aniseed, no stock. Rhubarb, no stock. Alum, \$1.50 a \$1.60 per picul. Camphor, \$13.00 a \$18.50 per picul, packed.

SUNDRIES.—Fire Crackers, 56 a 72 cents per box, for Gouqua's No. 1, gold chop. Vermilion: \$38.00 a \$38.50 per box. Mating: Fine contract, White 4/4, 104 cents, 5/4, 124 cents, 6/4, 144 cents per yard; Red Check, 4/4, 114 cents, 5/4, 134 cents, 6/4, 154 cents; Double Extra Imperial, white 4/4, 134 cents, 5/4, 154 cents, 6/4, 174 cents; Red Check, 4/4, 15 cents, 5/4, 174 cents, 6/4, 204 cents per yard. Cargo Ginger: new, in syrup (Chinglong) \$3.75; Mandarin, \$4.25; Young Stem, \$6.00 per case of 5 jars.—Soy: \$4.40 per picul.

IMPORTS.
LEAD.—Quotations are unaltered, our market not having responded to the speculative advance in Hongkong.

QUICKSILVER, is still quoted \$62 a \$62.50 per picul.

GINSENG.—No alteration to note.

SHIPPING.
The rate of Freight to London, per steamer is \$2.10 a \$2.77, and per sailing vessel, \$1.10 a \$1.12/2 per ton of 40 and 60 cubic feet respectively.

The rate of Freight to New York, per steamer, is \$3.77, and per sailing vessel, \$1.50 to \$1.10 per ton of 40 cubic feet.

LOADING AND ON THE BEER.—At Whampoa.—For London and New York.—None.

At Hongkong.—For London.—*Sir Harry Parkes*, *Kenton*, *Annie Lowrey*, *Moss Glen*, *Nestor*, etc., *Benedict*, etc., *Bertie Biglow*.

For New York.—*Silas Fish*, *Athene*, *Lottie Moore*, *Albert Russell*.

For San Francisco.—*Sir Charles Napier*, *Josephus*, *Sarah Belle*, *Eletico*.

DEPARTURES.—From Whampoa.—For London and New York.—None.

From Hongkong.—For London.—*Teucer*, etc.

For New York.—*Chas. L. Pearson* (cleared).

For San Francisco.—None.

QUOTATIONS.
HONGKONG, August 23, 1878.

Mails.



STEAM FOR

Singapore, Penang, Point de Galle, Aden, Suez, Malta, Brindisi, Ancona, Venice, Mediterranean Ports, Southampton, and London direct,

Also, Bombay, Madras, Calcutta, and Australia.

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Steamship **PEKIN**, Captain W. WOOLCOTT, will leave this on SATURDAY, the 24th August, at Noon.

For further Particulars, apply to A. LIND, Superintendent, Hongkong, August 12, 1878. au24

U. S. MAIL LINE.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

THROUGH TO NEW YORK, VIA OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND TOUCHING AT YOKOHAMA, AND SAN FRANCISCO.

THE U. S. Mail Steamship **CITY OF PEKING** will be despatched for San Francisco, via Yokohama, on SATURDAY, the 24th instant, at 3 o'clock p.m., taking Passengers, and Freight, for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and Inland Cities of the United States via Overland Railways, to Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America by the Company's and connecting Steamers.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers.

A REDUCTION OF TWENTY PER CENT. on regular rates is granted to OFFICERS of the ARMY and NAVY, and MEMBERS of the CIVIL and CONSULAR SERVICES in COMMISSION.

Freight will be received on board until 4 p.m. of 23rd instant. Parcel Packages will be received at the office until 5 p.m. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany Overland Cargo should be sent to the Company's Office in Sealed Envelope, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 3, Praya Central.

RUSSELL & Co., Agents, Hongkong, August 8, 1878. au24

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES. PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANCAIS.

STEAM FOR SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, POINT DE GALLE, ADEN, SUERZ, ISMAILIA, PORT SAID, NAPLES, AND MARSEILLES; ALSO, BOMBAY, MAHE, ST. DENIS, AND PORT LOUIS.

ON SATURDAY, the 31st August, 1878, at Noon, the Company's S. S. **DIEMERNAH**, Commandant Morer, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and CARGO, will leave this Port for the above places.

Cargo and Specie will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe.

Shipping Orders will be granted until Noon.

Cargo will be received on board until 4 p.m., Specie and Parcels until 3 p.m. on the 30th August, 1878. (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office.)

Contents and value of Packages are required.

For further particulars, apply at the Company's Office, H. DU POUEY, Agent, Hongkong, August 21, 1878. au31

Occidental & Oriental Steam-Ship Company.

TAKING THROUGH CARGO AND PASSENGERS FOR THE UNITED STATES AND EUROPE, IN CONNECTION WITH THE CENTRAL

and UNION PACIFIC AND CONNECTING RAILROAD COMPANIES

AND ATLANTIC STEAMERS.

THE S. S. **"BELGIO"** will be despatched for San Francisco via Yokohama, on WEDNESDAY, the 11th September, at 3 p.m., taking Cargo and Passengers for Japan, the United States and Europe.

Connection is made at Yokohama, with Steamers from Shanghai.

Freight will be received on board until 4 p.m. of the 10th September. PARCEL PACKAGES will be received at the Office until 5 p.m. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

A REDUCTION is made on RETURN PASSAGE TICKETS.

For further information as to Freight on Passage, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 37, Queen's Road Central.

G. B. EMORY, Agent, Hongkong, August 16, 1878. au11

Intimations.

THE EQUITABLE LIFE ASSURANCE SOCIETY OF THE UNITED STATES.

HENRY B. HYDE, President.
J. W. ALEXANDER, Vice-President.
SAMUEL BORROW, Secretary.
A. A. HAYES, Jr., General Manager, for China and Japan.

PRINCIPAL OFFICE,
120, BROADWAY, NEW YORK.

Assets, \$31,700,000
Surplus, \$5,500,000

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents in Hongkong, China, for the above Company, are prepared to accept Risks at greatly reduced rates and upon terms very favourable to the assured.

For full information and particulars, apply to

OLYPHANT & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, January 21, 1878.

W. BALL,

CHINA DISPENSARY.

IMPORTER OF DRUGS, CHEMICALS, DRUGGISTS' Sundries, TOILET REQUISITES, PATENT MEDICINES AND PERFUMES.

Prescriptions Dispensed with Carefulness, and Prompt Attention.

PRAYA WEST, HONGKONG,
Near the Canton Steamer's Wharf,
Hongkong, July 13, 1878.

AFONG,

by appointment, to

H. E. SIR ARTHUR KENNEDY,

H. E. ADMIRAL ALFRED P. RYDER,

and to

H. I. H. THE GRAND DUKE ALEXIS OF RUSSIA.

THE above has pleasure in informing the public of Hongkong that he has obtained the assistance of Mr. Griffith (for many years manager and principal operator to Mr. Saunders of Shanghai), and having carefully arranged the light of his New Studio and secured the newest and best appliances for obtaining the highest excellence in his work, he is now ready to produce all the Latest Novelties in Photographic Portraiture.—A large and varied Assortment of Views always ready. Superior Enlargements made at shortest notice.

STUDIO, QUEEN'S ROAD,
Nearly opposite The Hongkong Hotel,
Hongkong, July 9, 1878.

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

No. 88.

CHINA SEA.

PACIFIC RIVER—TIENTSIN DISTRICT.

Taku Bar Light.

NOTICE is hereby given that, on the 4th instant, a Fixed WHITE LIGHT was Exhibited, and will continue to be shown, on the China Merchants' Steam Navigation Company's Hulk "Aden," now moored outside the Taku Bar in 17 feet low water ordinary springs.

The Light, which is dioptric, is 36 feet above the water line, and should be visible 10 miles on clear nights.

Latitude 38° 53' N.

Longitude 117° 50' 30" E.

The Red Buoy, which is distant 3½ miles, bears N. 35° W.

By order of the Inspector General of Customs,

GERALD E. WELLESLEY,

Acting Engineer-in-Chief.

Imperial Maritime Customs,

Engineer's Office,
Shanghai, August 12, 1878. au2

Insurances.

ROYAL INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned, Agents for the above Company, are prepared to grant Insurances at current rates.

MELOHERS & Co., Agents, Royal Insurance Company, Hongkong, October 27, 1874.

LANCASHIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

(FIRE AND LIFE.)

CAPITAL—TWO MILLIONS STERLING.

THE Undersigned are prepared to grant Policies against the Risk of FIRE on Buildings or on Goods stored therein, on Goods on board Vessels and on Hulls of Vessels in Harbour, at the usual Terms and Conditions.

Proposals for Life Insurances will be received, and transmitted to the Directors for their decision.

If required, protection will be granted on first class Lives up to £1000 on a Single Life.

For Rates of Premiums, forms of proposals or any other information, apply to

ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co., Agents, Hongkong & Canton.

Hongkong, January 4, 1887.

THE SCOTTISH IMPERIAL INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents in Hongkong for the above-named Company, are prepared to grant Policies against FIRE on Buildings and on Goods to the extent of \$50,000, at the usual Rates, subject to an immediate Discount of 20 per cent.

Attention is invited to a considerable reduction in Premiums for Life Insurances in China.

MEYER & Co., Agents, Hongkong, August 13, 1878.

Insurances.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

AGENCIES at all the Treaty Ports of China and Japan, and at Singapore, Saigon and Penang.
Risks accepted, and Policies of Insurance granted at the rates of Premium current at the above mentioned Ports.

NO CHARGE FOR POLICY FEES.

JAS. B. COUGHTREY,

Secretary.

Hongkong, November 1, 1871.

YANGTSE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION.

CAPITAL—Fully Paid-up—Tls. 420,000
PERMANENT RESERVE—Tls. 230,000
SPECIAL RESERVE FUND—Tls. 104,000
Total Capital and accumulations this date—Tls. 754,000

Directors:

F. B. FORBES, Esq., Chairman.

M. F. EVANS, Esq., C. LUCAS, Esq., O. KREBS, Esq., W. MEYER, Esq.

Secretaries:

Messrs. RUSSELL & Co., Shanghai.

London Bankers: Messrs. BARRING BROTHERS & Co.

Agencies in: HONGKONG, LONDON, SAN FRANCISCO, and the Principal Ports in the East.

POLICIES granted on Marine Risks to all parts of the World, at current rates.

Subject to a charge of 12 1/2 per cent. for interest on Shareholders' Capital, ALL THE PROFITS of the UNDERSIGNED BUSINESS will be annually distributed among all Contributors of Business in proportion to the premium paid by them.

RUSSELL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, May 10, 1878. au1

CHINESE INSURANCE COMPANY, (LIMITED).

NOTICE.

POLICIES granted at current rates on Marine Risks to all parts of the World.

In accordance with the Company's Articles of Association, Two Thirds of the Profits are distributed annually to Contributors, whether Shareholders or not, in proportion to the net amount of Premiums contributed by each, the remaining third being carried to Reserve Fund.

OLYPHANT & Co., General Agents.

Hongkong, April 17, 1873.

QUEEN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned are prepared to grant Policies against Fire to the extent of \$45,000 on Buildings, or on Goods stored therein, at current local rates, subject to a Discount of 20% on the Premium.

NORTON & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, January 1, 1874.

NORTH BRITISH & MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.

Incorporated by Royal Charter and Special Acts of Parliament.

ESTABLISHED 1809.

CAPITAL £2,000,000.

THE Undersigned, Agents at Hongkong for the above Company, are prepared to grant Policies against FIRE, to the extent of £10,000 on any Building, or on Merchandise in the same, at the usual Rates, subject to a discount of 20 per cent.

GILMAN & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, July 6, 1875.

THE LONDON ASSURANCE COMPANY.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER of His Majesty King George The First, A. D. 1720.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Corporation are prepared to grant Insurances as follows:—

Marine Department.

Policies at current rates, payable either here, in London or at the principal Ports of India, China and Australia.

Fire Department.

Policies issued for long or short periods at current rates. A discount of 20% allowed.

Life Department.

Policies issued for sums not exceeding £5,000 at reduced rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co., Hongkong, July 25, 1878.

MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE COMPANY OF MANCHESTER AND LONDON.

THE Undersigned have been appointed Agents for the above Company at Hongkong, Canton, Foochow, Shanghai and Hankow, and are prepared to grant Insurances at current rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co., Hongkong, October 14, 1880.

Merchant Vessels in Hongkong Harbour.

Vessel's Name.	Flag.	Captain.	Flag and Reg.	Tons.	Date of Arrival.	Consignees or Agents.	Destination.	Remarks.
Steamers								
Albay	5	F. Abtton	Brit. str.	366	Aug. 22	Douglas Lapralik & Co.	Hollow Shanghai	26th inst.
Amoy	4	c Peters	Brit. str.	814	Aug. 22	Stemmen & Co.	London, &c.	To-day
Benlodi	5	c Buchanan	Brit. str.	999	Aug. 17	Gibb, Livingston & Co.		To-day
Bombay	4	c Humpreys	Brit. str.	749	Feb. 12	Kwok Achcong		Sands' Ship
Cheung Hook Kian	2	h Webb	Brit. str.	356	Aug. 21	Bun Hin & Co.	Swatow and Amoy	To-day
City of Peking	5	c Cavalry	Amer. str.	6079	Aug. 17	P. M. S. S. Co.	Yama & S. F. S. Co.	To-morrow
Conquest	5	h Scott	Brit. str.	317	Aug. 19	Kwong Lee Yuen	Hollow & Haiphong	at daylight
Dale	2	h Thompson	Brit. str.	654	Aug. 16	Yuen Fat Hong	Bangkok	26th inst.
Douglas	5	h Pittman	Brit. str.	884	Aug. 23	Douglas Lapralik & Co.	Coast Ports	
Fame	6	h Shopani	Brit. str.	117		R. K. & W. P. S. Dock Co.		Tug Plying
Java	2	c Weber	Dut. str.	886	Aug. 16	Kwong Wing Shun	S'pore and Penang	31st inst.
Kienchow	2	h	Brit. str.			Kwok Achcong		
Killarney	5	c O'Neill	Brit. str.	1060	Aug. 6	Hop Kee	S'pore and Penang	
Malacca	2	c Smith	Brit. str.	1709	Aug. 20	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Yokohama	Mails
Mayenne	3	h Yun Chun Yen	Anna. str.		June 30			
Memuir	4	c Darke	Brit. str.	1247	Aug. 22	Gibb, Livingston & Co.	Australian Ports	
Namoa	5	h Westoby	Brit. str.	862	Aug. 21	Douglas Lapralik & Co.	Coast Ports	26th, noon
Norna	3	h	Brit. str.	606	June 28	Kwok Achcong		
Olympia	3	h Nagel	Ger. str.	791	Aug. 19	Kwok Achcong	Swatow	K'loon Dock
Quinta	6	c Woolcott	Brit. str.	2098	Aug. 21	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Europe, &c.	To-morrow
Quinta	6	c Hays	Ger. str.	874	Aug. 11	Sooy Shing	Salgon	
Sea Gull	5	c Thompson	Ger. str.	48	July 18	W. H. Ray	Tamsui, &c.	26th inst.
Taiwan	6	h Roberts	Amer. str.	408	Aug. 20	Douglas Lapralik & Co.	S'pore and Penang	To-morrow
Zamboanga	4	c Young	Brit. str.	651	July 29	Hop Kee		
Sailing Vessels								
Albert Russell	3	c Carver	Amer. bqe.	762	July 15	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	New York	
Albion's Isle	2	h Burgess	Brit. bqe.	360	Aug. 16	Rozario & Co.		
Alce D. Cooper	5	h Humphrey	Amer. sh.	1363	July 24	Captain	Vancouver's Island	Cleared
Alva	3	c Souza	Port. sh.	631	July 16	Brandao & Co.		
Araba	3	c Kienfoth	Brit. sh.	1188	Aug. 2	P. & O. S. N. Co.		
Athene	4	c Sindlay	Brit. bqe.	605	July 15	Olyphant & Co.	New York	
Balaury	3	h Kilmound	Brit. bqe.	476	Aug. 22	Stemmen & Co.		
Benefactor	4	h Hayden	Amer. bqe.	596	Aug. 2	Russell & Co.	New York	
Bertie Biglow	4	h Ferguson	Brit. sh.	1142	July 29	Meyer & Co.	London	Wanchai Pier
Bianca Perica	2	h Tancred	Ital. bqe.	666	Aug. 6	D. Musso & Co.	Nagasaki	Cleared
Bua Cao	2	h Lange	Slam. bqe.	838	July 25	Yuen Fat Hong		
Bua Pan	2	c Müller	Slam. sh.	574	July 29	Kin-ye-long		
Carl Ritter	5	h Tiger	Ger. bqe.	596	Aug. 19	Stemmen & Co.		
Catharina	4	h Sobultz	Ger. bqe.	344	Aug. 18	Eduard Schellhaus & Co.		
Centennial	5	h Bearese	Amer. sh.	1286	Aug. 21	Butterfield & Swire		
Ceylon	3	h Kelly	Amer. bqe.	681	Aug. 6	Olyphant & Co.	Nagasaki	
Charité	1	h Hervé	Foh. bqe.	256	Aug. 23	Carlowitz & Co.	Tientsin	
Charlotte Andrews	3	c Place	Brit. bqe.	356	June 19	Rozario & Co.	Melbourne & Sydney	
Coeran	8	h	Amer. sch.	188	July 18	W. H. Ray		
Cordonane	8	h Bertrand	Foh. bqe.	459	Aug. 19	Carlewitz & Co.		
Corrientes	7	c Jones	Brit. bqe.	698	Aug. 1	Olyphant & Co.		
Dartmouth	7	h Robertson	Brit. bqe.	915	Aug. 6	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.		
Dharwar	1	c Freebody	Brit. sh.	1800	Aug. 17	Gibb, Livingston & Co.	Hamburg	
Dirigo	3	c Staples	Amer. bqe.	684	July 14	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.		
Echo	4	h Tager	Brit. bqe.	368	Aug. 4	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.		
Elisabeth	2	h Olsson	Ger. bqe.	447	Aug. 4	Wieler & Co.	San Francisco	
Elveio	4	h Fondini	Ital. bqe.	646	Aug. 2	D. Musso & Co.		
Faugh Balough	3	h Rute	Ger. bqe.	240	Aug. 20	Carlowitz & Co.	Nagasaki	Cleared
Fontenay	4	h Taylor	Brit. sh.	655	July 22	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.		
Forward	4	h Vandervord	Brit. bqe.	744	Aug. 11	Rozario & Co.		
Franklin	3	c Bruneau	Foh. bqe.	553	Aug. 2	Meyer & Co.		
Giamorganshire	6	h McEachern	Brit. bqe.	456	Aug. 2	H. Kler & Co.	Foochow	
Gloss	3	c Riches	Brit. sh.	771	Aug. 7	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	Hilgo	
Glory	2	h Buckott	Slam. bqe.	427	Aug. 19	Ohlness		
Gotha	1	h Deutzan	Slam. bqe.	542	July 11	Ohlness		
H. Prinsenberg	3	c Schoenemann	Ger. bqe.	553	Aug. 8	Melchert & Co.	Newchwang	
Hermann	3	h Schmidt	Ger. bqe.	444	Aug. 16	Wieler & Co.		
Highlander	1	h Hutchinson	Amer. sh.	1352	June 19	Captain	Quinhon	
Jessie Jamieson	4	c West	Brit. bqe.	504	July 29	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	San Francisco	
Josephus	3	c Rogers	Amer. sh.	1470	July 15	Russell & Co.	Foochow	
Kate Tatham	4	c Pikeothly	Brit. bqe.	275	July 4	Adamson, Bell & Co.	London	
Kenton	3	c Colvin	Brit. bqe.	667	June 8	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.		
Landseer	7	c Knowles	Amer. sh.	1418	July 23	Douglas Lapralik & Co.		
Lodere	2	h Jones	Brit. sh.	880	June 18	Meyer & Co.	New York	
Lottie Moore	8	h Hudson	Amer. bqe.	880	July 22	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	San Francisco	
Madeleine	4	c Pateau	Foh. bqe.	416	July 22	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	Honolulu	
Manila II	4	h Gomer	Ger. bqe.	515	Aug. 6	Wm. Pustan & Co.	Shanghai	
Maritime Union	7	c Elliot	Brit. sh.	1600	Aug. 22	Order		
Marquis of Argyll	5	h McKean	Brit. bqe.	600	June 26	Rozario & Co.	Haiphong	
Mary Fraser	1	c Dexter	Brit. sh.	1174	Aug. 11	Order	Wellington, N. Z.	
May	4	c Plunley	Brit. 3m.e.	237	Aug. 4	Olyphant & Co.		
McNear	7	c Taylor	Amer. sh.	1808	July 22	Butterfield & Swire		
Moneta	7	c Blisset	Brit. bqe.	921	Aug. 1	Gibb, Livingston & Co.		
Mona Glen	4	c Carson	Brit. bqe.	629	May 29	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	London	
Oscar	3	c Windhorst	Ger. bqe.	735	July 5	Melchers & Co.	Callao	
Penrit	2	h Worthington	Brit. bqe.	549	July 29	Melchers & Co.		
Pi De Ma Deo	2	c Jarek	Slam. bqe.	455	Aug. 11	Kin-ye-long		
Prince Amadeo	6	c Linskill	Brit. sh.	1602	July 30	Messageries Maritimes		
Prince Louis	7	h Moore	Brit. sh.	1329	July 29	Olyphant & Co.	Astoria, O.	
Rapid	7	h Hinabring	Slam. bqe.	462	Aug. 5	Ohlness		
Rode Walk	2	c Welt	Amer. sh.		Aug. 21	Captain		
S. Vaughan	5	c Porter	Brit. sh.	840	July 26	Meyer & Co.	Callao	Cleared
Sarah Bell	4	h Ditchburn	Brit. bqe.	912	July 16	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	San Francisco	
Silas Fish	4	h Williams	Amer. bqe.	702	May 12	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	New York	
Sir Charles Napier	3	c French	Brit. sh.	1161	May 27	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	San Francisco	
Sir Harry Parkes	2	c Chapman	Brit. sh.	816	May 22	Meyer & Co.	London	
St. Anne	4	h Kadenac	Foh. bqe.	287	Aug. 7	Carlowitz & Co.		
Ste. Adresse	1	h Leroy	Foh. bqe.	590	Aug. 7	Carlowitz & Co.		
Sumatra	3	h Clough	Amer. sh.	1090	Sept. 5	Russell & Co.		
Sumner R. Mead	4	h Dixon	Amer. sh.	1117	July 15	Russell & Co.	New York	
Ta Hong Kong	1	h Buttmann	Slam. sh.	636	Aug. 6	Yuen Fat Hong		
Taunton	4	h Armstrong	Brit. sh.	687	Aug. 4	Stemmen & Co.		
Tay Watt	1	h d'Argence	Slam. bqe.	1000	Aug. 8	Ohlness		
The Tweed	7	c Bice	Brit. sh.	1745	July 15	Gibb, Livingston & Co.	Singapore	
Towbridge	7	c Stapledon	Brit. sh.	1287	Aug. 19	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.		
Tyburnia	4	h Golder	Brit. bqe.	948	June 19	Olyphant & Co.		
Varuna	3	h Sachan	Ger. bqe.	486	Aug. 22	Wieler & Co.		
Venus	3	h Ribelro	Port. bqe.	402	Aug. 7	Remedios & Co.		
William Turner	4	h Vandervord	Brit. bqe.	431	Aug. 4	Rozario & Co.	Foochow	
WHAMPOA								
Carl	1	h Thomson	Ger. bqe.	215	Aug. 16	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	Tientsin	
Christian		h Kossow	Ger. sch.	250	Aug. 13	Wieler & Co.	Tientsin	
Florence Nightingale		h McIntyre	Brit. bqe.	494	Aug. 16	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	Newchwang	
Hawthorn		h Bred	Brit. bqe.	296	Aug. 20	Wieler & Co.	Tientsin	
Marco Polo		h Brechwaldt	Ger. bqe.	358	Aug. 17	Wieler & Co.	Tientsin	
Sophie		h Binge	Ger. bqe.	210	Aug. 23	Wieler & Co.	Tientsin	
CANTON								
Ningpo		h Cass	Brit. str.	761	Aug. 22	Stemmen & Co.	Shanghai	
Yangtze		h Schultz	Brit. str.	782	Aug. 21	Stemmen & Co.	Shanghai	